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Applicants : Daniel B. Penney and Steven So

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Title : BURST COUNTER CONTROLLER AND METHOD IN A MEMORY DEVICE  
OPERABLE IN A 2-BIT PREFETCH MODE

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated April 30, 2004, and herewith petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for a one-month extension of time for filing this response from July 30, 2004, to August 30, 2004. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$110 for the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.